

From the Rector _____

The first eleven chapters of the Book of Genesis serve as a fascinating preface, not just to the rest of Genesis but to the entire Bible. This preface provides the context in which all of the Scriptures are set; they lay out the fundamental problem which finds its final and lasting solution in Jesus Christ. As we have seen before, while the story of creation found in the first two chapters of Genesis spells out the inherent goodness of the created world, the story of the Garden also offers a profound lesson about the essential brokenness of life: the brokenness of our relationship with the creation, the brokenness of our relationships with each other, and, underlying it all, the brokenness of our relationship with God; a brokenness which first surfaces in the disobedience of Adam and Eve but which carries on to their banishment from the Garden and the eventual and inevitable murder of Abel by his brother Cain. As we all know violence, whether physical or psychological, so easily escalates; and the story that we find in Genesis is no exception. Even there violence and bloodshed grow until God repents of His creative work and chooses to start all over again after the waters of the Flood have cleansed the earth. But this act of cleansing is only temporary, and evil returns; and all of this preface is brought to a symbolic conclusion in the confusion and chaos of the Tower of Babel. And that's where the story leaves us - cut off from God, cut off from each other, and cut off from the full goodness of the world which surrounds us.

But, if the Book of Genesis serves to set out the inevitable problems of human life, the problems which are very much part of what all of us face, then the story of the Day of Pentecost that we celebrate this week fast forwards to the solution. We hear this week the dramatic and amazing account of the Day of Pentecost, a day in which images of wind and fire signify the overwhelming and redeeming Presence of God. And we also hear of how the Presence of God offers the antidote, the remedy, to our brokenness, the remedy which proved so elusive to the People of God; as we hear in Luke's account in the Acts of the Apostles, the confusion of the Tower of Babel is resolved in the miracle of tongues and in the miracle of hearing - the multiplicity of languages not taken away but redeemed by the power of God; redeemed by God for the work of God.

And, in some way, that serves as a metaphor for the way in which God offers redemption in our lives, not by magically taking away the brokenness which marks our lives, not by instantly removing the things which cause us grief or pain, but by changing and healing and renewing them, that even in the midst of our trials, we might know joy. Surely

that's what this counsellor, this comforter, this advocate, that Jesus promised to his disciples is all about - someone to stand with us as we face our trials, someone to take our concerns as their concerns, someone to help us to know that we never stand alone.

The Day of Pentecost is a reminder that the works of God are amazing things, that he is present even when we least expect it; that He can take the brokenness of life and make it whole; that he can use any situation, any trial, and bring out of it something good, if only we are willing to work with him; to receive the Grace which he willingly offers to us. We're only truly beaten when we give up; and the Spirit of God on the Day of Pentecost is a sure and certain sign that giving up need never be the option.



Parish Notices and Updates _____

THE ARCHBISHOP'S PILGRIMAGE: We are very pleased to welcome Archbishop David Edwards as Celebrant and Preacher at the 5:00 p.m. Celebration of the Holy Eucharist on Saturday and for the blessing the Community Food Forest on Sunday. Go to: <https://nb.anglican.ca/blog> to follow the archbishop's journey.

ST. MARY'S COMMUNITY FOOD FOREST OFFICIAL OPENING: Everyone is warmly invited to the opening of our Community Food Forest on Sunday following the 10:00 a.m. Celebration of the Holy Eucharist. We will have three concurrent activities starting at 11:00 a.m., followed by a short ceremony and blessing to thank our partners and sponsors. We would request that masks be worn in any situation where social distancing cannot be maintained. Adam Birchweaver will be hosting a plant walk in and around the food forest discussing the edibility, medicinal uses, and history of plants in the area. Sima Usvyatsov will be doing a demonstration of plant propagation techniques that allow you to multiply your perennial plants for free. And Andrew Mathis will be hosting a walk around the food forest discussing its design and establishment. These three activities will be happening at the same time, so you'll have to choose which one you'd like to attend. We hope to see you there!

AS YOU KNOW, NICHOLAS SAULNIER will be ordained as a deacon in the Church of God this coming Saturday, on the **Feast of St. Barnabas, June 11th**, at 2:00 p.m. at St. George's Church in Moncton. Nicholas will be starting his work in the Parishes of St. Mary, York, Marysville, and Stanley the following week. Please keep him in your prayers as he

prepares for this foundational day in his ministry as he responds to God's call to servanthood. Those who wish to attend the ordination, either in person or online, are asked to go to the webpage for St George's to register for the service, or on the day of the ordination, to watch a live stream. The website for St. George's can be found at:

<https://www.stgeorgesmoncton.ca/pages/ordination-to-the-diaconate>

WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT BACKYARD BRASS, a small ensemble including our own Delia Martin, is offering a short outdoor concert on **Sunday, June 19th**, at approximately 11:15, following the 10:00 a.m. Celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Those attending the service that morning are invited to remain afterwards; and those who are not attending the service are warmly invited to join us for the concert. You may bring along a lawn chair if you wish; but we'll also have some of the chairs available from the Parish Hall. It promises to be a lovely time to celebrate the coming of summer and the musical talents and gifts of our local community.

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THE PLATINUM JUBILEE

I declare before you all that my whole life whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service... But I shall not have strength to carry out this resolution alone unless you join in it with me, as I now invite you to do: I know that your support will be unfailingly given. God help me to make good my vow, and God bless all of you who are willing to share in it.

Princess Elizabeth, 21 April 1947

This week, people around the world are celebrating the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth. Her long reign is a testament to her commitment to serve God and her people; and should be the cause of much thanksgiving by those of us who have been blessed by her witness. As followers of Jesus Christ, we have additional reasons to celebrate because Her Majesty has been clear throughout her life that her faith in Jesus Christ has been a central part of her work and walk. Please join with Christians around the world in offering thanksgiving for her reign.

Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness, bless our Sovereign Lady, Queen Elizabeth, and all who are in authority under her; that they may order all things in wisdom and equity, righteousness and peace, to the honour and glory of your name and the good of your Church and people; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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Instead of always being one of the chief bastions of the social status quo, the Church is to develop a Christian counterculture with its own distinctive goals, values, standards, and lifestyle - a realistic alternative to the contemporary technocracy which is marked by bondage, materialism, self-centredness, and greed. Christ's call to obedience is a call to be different, not conformist. Such a Church - joyful, obedient, loving, and free - will do more than please God: it will attract the world. It is when the Church evidently is the Church, and is living a supernatural life of love by the power of the Holy Spirit, that the world will believe.

John R. W. Stott, "Obeying Christ in a Changing World"

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THE DAY OF PENTECOST Whitsunday

June 4, 2022

*Alleluia! God has sent forth the
Spirit of his Son!
O come, let us worship! Alleluia!*

4:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer:

✠ Psalms 22:22-31, 23 | Isaiah 11:1-9 | Acts 18:24-19:7

5:00 p.m. – The Holy Eucharist

Introit: Whitsunday Anthems	<i>page 204</i>
The Gloria:	<i>page 86</i>
The Collect:	<i>page 205</i>
The Old Testament Reading:	Deuteronomy 16:9-12
Psalms 122:	<i>page 498</i>
The Lesson:	<i>page 205</i>
Gradual 125:	<i>page 499</i>
The Holy Gospel:	<i>page 206</i>
The Creed:	<i>page 71</i>
The Homily	
The Prayers of the People:	L: Lord, in your mercy C: Hear our prayer
The Consecration:	<i>page 82</i>
Post Communion Prayer:	<i>page 85</i>

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JUNE 8: PENTECOST EMBER DAY

6:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer

7:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

JUNE 9: PENTECOST FERIA

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer

JUNE 10: PENTECOST EMBER DAY

4:00 p.m. – Evening Prayer (Zoom)

JUNE 11: THE OCTAVE DAY OF PENTECOST: TRINITY SUNDAY

2:00 p.m. – Ordination of Nicholas Saulnier to the
Diaconate, St. George’s, Moncton

4:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer

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JUNE 12: THE OCTAVE DAY OF PENTECOST: TRINITY SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer

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THE DAY OF PENTECOST

Whitsunday

June 5, 2022

*Alleluia! God has sent forth the
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9:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer:

✠ Psalm 145 | Joel 2:28-end | Romans 8:1-17

10:00 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist

♫ PROCESSIONAL HYMN:	180 (WINCHESTER)
The Gloria:	page 86
The Collect:	page 205
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The Lesson:	page 205
Gradual Psalm 125:	page 499
The Holy Gospel:	page 206
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia
The Creed:	page 71
The Homily	
♫ OFFERTORY HYMN:	487 (DOWN AMPNEY)
The Prayers of the People:	L: Lord, in your mercy C: Hear our prayer
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♫ RECESSIONAL HYMN:	426 (KINGSFOLD)

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